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SUBJECT: PRAVDA AGAIN ON EUROCOMMUNISM: CARTER ADMINISTRATION  
MENTIONED

REF: MOSCOW 10993

1. FOR THE SECOND TIME IN AS MANY WEEKS PRAVDA HAS REPLAYED  
AN ARTICLE FROM THE EAST EUROPEAN PRESS -- RUDE PRAVO THIS  
TIME -- ON THE ISSUE OF EUROCOMMUNISM (SEE REFTEL). THE  
TASS PRAGUE PIECE, BASED ON AN ARTICLE BY KARL DOUDER (PHON)

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CALLED "CONTEMPORARY PROBLEMS AND HISTORICAL EXPERIENCE,"  
TAKES THE LINE THAT THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT THE NATIONAL  
COMMUNIST PARTIES ARE FREE TO CHOOSE THE TACTICS AND  
STRATEGY WHICH ARE BEST SUITED TO NATIONAL CONDITIONS  
AND THAT THERE IS NO QUESTION OF A "UNITARY CENTER"  
WHICH WOULD DICTATE A SINGLE TACTIC AND STRATEGY FOR  
ALL PARTIES. IT EMPHASIZES THAT THE ATTACK

IN NOVOYE VREMYA ON CARRILLO WAS ONLY DIRECTED AT THE INDIVIDUAL, NOT THE PCE.

2. THE SECOND MAJOR THEME IN THE ARTICLE IS THAT "EUROCOMMUNISM" REFLECTS THE LATEST ATTEMPT BY THE IMPERIALISTS TO SPLIT THE COMMUNIST PARTIES, PARTICULARLY TO SPLIT THE WEST EUROPEAN PARTIES FROM THE "SOCIALIST COUNTRIES," IN THIS CONNECTION IT BRIEFLY CITES THE "CHANGE OF POSITION OF THE CARTER GOVERNMENT" REGARDING SEVERAL WEST EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTIES, THUS IMPLYING THAT THE CURRENT U.S. APPROACH TOWARD COMMUNIST PARTIES IN WEST EUROPE IS PART OF A DELIBERATE ATTEMPT TO CREATE DIVISIONS AND DIFFERENCES.

3. COMMENT: THE RATHER LENGTHY ARTICLE COVERS STANDARD GROUND IN THE EUROCOMMUNISM DEBATE. IT IS SIGNIFICANT, HOWEVER, THAT PRAVDA HAS AGAIN CHOSEN TO REPLY THE DEBATE FOR ITS HUGE SOVIET READERSHIP. IT EMPHASIZES, MORE THAN DID THE ORIGINAL NV ATTACK, THE "FREEDOM" OF THE NATIONAL PARTIES TO CHOOSE THEIR OWN TACTICS AND STRATEGIES. ALSO, FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION IS BROUGHT INTO

THE DISPUTE AND USED AS AN EXAMPLE OF THE NEFARIOUS ACTIVITIES OF THE "IMPERIALISTS" WHO ARE TRYING TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SPLIT THE NON-RULING PARTIES FROM THE RULING PARTIES, AND TO DESTROY THAT UNITY WITHOUT WHICH PAST SUCCESSES OF W.E. PARTIES COULD NOT HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED.  
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